

Addendum Sheet

G-VI-A-001
Garrett County Courthouse
Garrett County

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Date Prepared: March 27, 1997

The original courthouse remains largely unaltered on the exterior, but since 1975, two visually unsympathetic two-story additions have been appended to the south and north elevations. Each addition is constructed of a yellow-brown brick laid in stretcher bond; the brick of the new additions is slightly darker in color than that of the original building. Each addition is also topped with a flat roof and pierced by several modern plate-glass windows with cement sills. Access to the interior of these annexes is provided by a combination of double wooden doors (on the northwest elevation) and modern glass and metal doors (on the east elevation). Because of the placement of these annexes, the visually commanding siting and orientation of the original courthouse has been somewhat compromised. The building still functions as the county courthouse and remains in good condition.



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GARRETT COUNTY, MD

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GARRETT COUNTY COURTHOUSE

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GARRETT COUNTY, MD
GABRIELLE LANIER

1/8/97

MD SHPO

SE + SW ELEVATIONS FACING NW

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Garrett County Courthouse

AND/OR COMMON

Garrett County Courthouse

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Third Street at Alder Street, SE corner

CITY, TOWN

Oakland

STATE

Maryland

VICINITY OF

CODE
24

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

COUNTY
GarrettCODE
023**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☒ PUBLIC
☐ PRIVATE
☐ BOTH
PUBLIC ACQUISITION
☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
☐ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☒ YES: RESTRICTED
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS
☒ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Commissioners of Garrett County

STREET & NUMBER

Garrett County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Oakland

VICINITY OF

STATE
Maryland**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Garrett County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Third and Alder Streets

CITY, TOWN

Oakland

STATE
Maryland**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

G-VI-A-001

CONDITION

☒ EXCELLENT☐ GOOD☐ FAIR☐ DETERIORATED☐ RUINS☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED☐ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE☐ MOVED

DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Situated on the western slope of a hill with retaining walls around it and two falls in the lawn, the Garrett County Courthouse stands at the intersection of Third Street (U.S. Route 210) and Alder Street, southeast corner, in Oakland, Maryland.

The Courthouse is a 1907-1908 neo-classical Renaissance Revival masonry structure in the form of a Latin Cross with a central rotunda. It is three stories high and has a low metal covered roof and dome. The south, west, and north wings are equal in length with the larger fourth wing projecting to the east or the uphill side. The equal length wings have tetrastyle Roman Ionic porticos (four columns) in front of the second and third floors. The ground floor serves as a rusticated base with three archways below each portico. The archways of the front or west side are open and form an entrance porch. The north and south archways are closed with windows. The sides of the east wing have Ionic pilasters of brick between the windows. The second and third stories are built of yellow brick. The building is encircled by a broad, dentilled cornice.

The principal windows of the upper levels have double-hung wooden sashes with one-over-one lights. The second story windows have classical pedimented entablatures supported by scroll brackets. The third story windows extend into the cornice except for the inner windows along the east wing which have flat arches with keystones. The windows on the ground level have fanlights of one pane above casement windows.

The tetrastyle porticos have stone balustrades with crossed balusters. The pediments above the porticos have raised floral sculpture with a center circular window in the south and north porticos and a clock in the front or west portico. The west portico has the name "Garrett County Courthouse" in applied letters above the open arches. The letters were added in recent years for they do not appear on early photographs of the building.

The low dome has an octagonal base with anthemions around it and is surrounded by an eagle with his wings spread. The metal covering on the dome has a crisscross pattern.

On the interior, the rooms radiate out of a central rotunda that has a marble floor and is open to the top. The upper level rooms are arranged in galleries around the open space. The courtroom is located on the third floor of the east wing. The trim through the interior is symmetrical in form and that in the rotunda and galleries is grained in simulation of "golden oak."

The Garrett County Courthouse is structurally sound and basically unaltered since its erection in 1907-1908.

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Garrett County Courthouse, a 1907-1908 Renaissance Revival structure, is the second courthouse erected in Garrett County since its formation in 1872.

The first courthouse was built about 1877 and stood at Fourth and Green Streets in Oakland. It was a two and a half story brick structure of which part is included in the present Board of Education Building. Until its construction, the county government was housed wherever available office space could be found.

By the early 1900's, the county government had outgrown its quarters and plans were prepared for constructing a new courthouse. The present location at Third and Alder Streets, was purchased by the County Commissioners in 1905. (Garrett County Deed Book 49/396). At the November elections of the following year, the voters approved a bond issue for \$75,000 for building the new structure. (Radoff, p. 91). The contract for construction with a price of \$60,962 was awarded to W. A. Liller of Keyser, West Virginia. (Weeks, p. 27). The cornerstone was laid in 1907 and the building was completed by November, 1908.

The Courthouse was designed by James Riely Gordon (1863-1937), a New York architect who had a reputation as a specialist in designing government buildings. Gordon was a native of Winchester, Virginia, and studied architecture in San Antonio, Texas. Included among his works are the state capitol buildings of Arizona and Mississippi, nearly seventy courthouses, and a number of churches, hotels, and hospitals. While working on the Garrett County Courthouse, Gordon was associated with the New York architectural firm of Tracy and Swartout. (Withey and Withey, p. 241-242).

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Commissioners' Proceedings, Liber D, Garrett County Courthouse, Oakland, Md.

Garrett County Land Records, Courthouse, Oakland, Md.

Morgan, William. Garrett County Inventory, Notes. Files of Maryland Historical Trust, Annapolis, Maryland.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

(See continuation sheet No. 1)

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 132 feet by 165 feet

UTM REFERENCES

A 17 637160 4362980

ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The property measures approximately 132 feet along Third Street by 165 feet along Alder Street.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Ronald L. Andrews, Historic Site Survey

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Tri-County Council for Western Maryland, Inc.4/24/75sao

STREET & NUMBER

TELEPHONE

Algonquin Motor Inn, Suite 510

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

CumberlandMaryland**12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION**

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL STATE LOCAL

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

TITLE

DATE

FOR NPS USE ONLY

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION

ATTEST:

DATE

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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Garrett County Courthouse
Garrett County

CONTINUATION SHEET

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

NOMINATION FORM
for the
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

is listed on NR

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

1. NAME				
COMMON: Garrett County Courthouse				
AND/OR HISTORIC: <i>Garrett Co Courthouse</i>				
2. LOCATION				
STREET AND NUMBER: Third Street at Alder Street, SE corner				
CITY OR TOWN: Oakland				
STATE: Maryland		COUNTY: Garrett		
3. CLASSIFICATION				
CATEGORY (Check One) <input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object		OWNERSHIP <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered		STATUS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No				
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
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4. OWNER OF PROPERTY				
OWNER'S NAME: Commissioners of Garrett County				
STREET AND NUMBER: Garrett County Courthouse				
CITY OR TOWN: Oakland		STATE: Maryland		
5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Garrett County Courthouse				
STREET AND NUMBER: Third and Alder Streets				
CITY OR TOWN: Oakland		STATE: Maryland		
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): 49-396				
6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS				
TITLE OF SURVEY: Maryland Historical Trust Inventory, No. G-32				
DATE OF SURVEY: 1970 <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Maryland Historical Trust				
STREET AND NUMBER: Shaw House, 21 State Circle				
CITY OR TOWN: Annapolis		STATE: Maryland		

7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Situated on the western slope of a hill with retaining walls around and two falls in the lawn, the Garrett County Courthouse stands at the intersection of Third Street (U.S. Route 219) and Alder Street, southeast corner, in Oakland, Maryland.

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS

SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- ☐ Pre-Columbian ☐ 16th Century ☐ 18th Century ☒ 20th Century
☐ 15th Century ☐ 17th Century ☐ 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1907-1908

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Garrett County Courthouse is historically and architecturally significant. A 1907-1908 Renaissance Revival structure, the building is the second courthouse erected in Garrett County since its formation in 1872.

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 Radoff, Morris L. The Courthouses and Records of Maryland, part 1: "The Courthouses." Annapolis, MD: The Hall of Records Commission, 1960.
 Weeks, Thekla Fundenburg. Oakland Centennial History 1849-1949. Oakland, MD: Sincell Publishing, 1949.
 Withey, Henry F. and Elsie R. Withey, Biographical Dictionary of American Architects (Deceased). Los Angeles: New Age Publishing Co., 1956.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
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	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

132' x 165'

Acreage Justification:

The property measures approximately 132' along Third Street by
 165' along Alder Street.

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:		Ronald L. Andrews, Historic Site Survey	
ORGANIZATION		DATE	4/24/75
Tri-County Council for Western Maryland, Inc.			
STREET AND NUMBER:			
Algonquin Motor Inn, Suite 510			
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE	
Cumberland		Maryland	

12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Signature _____

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

G-VI-A-001
N. R. FIELD SHEET (Garrett - 32)

STATE:	
COUNTY:	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

1. NAME	
COMMON:	
Garrett County Courthouse	
AND/OR HISTORIC:	

2. LOCATION			
STREET AND NUMBER:			
Third Street (south-east corner at Alder Street)			
CITY OR TOWN:			
Oakland			
STATE		CODE	COUNTY:
Maryland			Garrett

3. CLASSIFICATION				
CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP		STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Public Acquisition:	Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes:	
Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/>	Private <input type="checkbox"/>	In Process <input type="checkbox"/>	Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/>	Restricted <input type="checkbox"/>
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PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
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Commercial <input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial <input type="checkbox"/>	Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/>	
Educational <input type="checkbox"/>	Military <input type="checkbox"/>	Religious <input type="checkbox"/>		
Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/>	Museum <input type="checkbox"/>	Scientific <input type="checkbox"/>		

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY	
OWNERS NAME:	
Garrett County [Commissioners of ?]	
STREET AND NUMBER:	
Garrett County Courthouse	
CITY OR TOWN:	STATE:
Oakland	Maryland

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION	
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:	
STREET AND NUMBER:	
CITY OR TOWN:	STATE:
APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: city lot	

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS	
TITLE OF SURVEY:	
DATE OF SURVEY: Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local <input type="checkbox"/>	
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:	
STREET AND NUMBER:	
CITY OR TOWN:	STATE:

STATE:
COUNTY:
ENTRY NUMBER
DATE
FOR NPS USE ONLY

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	Excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Good <input type="checkbox"/>	Fair <input type="checkbox"/>	Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/>	Ruins <input type="checkbox"/>	Unexposed <input type="checkbox"/>
INTEGRITY	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	Altered <input type="checkbox"/>	Unaltered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Moved <input type="checkbox"/>	Original Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Overlooking downtown Oakland, the Garrett County Courthouse is laid out in the form of a Latin cross, the three equal length arms are visible from Oakland's business section, while the fourth and longer wing is on the rear (uphill side). Perched on the slope of a hill with retaining walls and two falls, the courthouse is a 3 storey masonry and brick structure topped by a low metal covered dome and crossing. Designed to appear to be a Greek cross, the three equal length wings have tetrastyle Roman Ionic porticos in front of the second (the piano nobile) and third floors. The ground floor serves as a rusticated base with a triple archway below each portico; the front archway is open and forms the main entrance porch. The upper two storeys are built of yellow brick. The second storey windows have classical (Renaissance) entablatures -- heavy pediments supported on scroll brackets. The whole building has a wide wood cornice. The low dome has an octagonal base with with anthemions around it and is topped by an eagle with his wings spread.

The dome is open on the interior, with the upper two floors arranged in galleries around the open space.

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Pre-Columbian ☐16th Century ☐18th Century ☐20th Century ☒15th Century ☐17th Century ☐19th Century ☐

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

1907

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Aboriginal ☐Education ☐Political ☐Urban Planning ☐Prehistoric ☐Engineering ☐

Religion/Phi-

Other (Specify) ☐Historic ☐Industry ☐lasophy ☐architectureAgriculture ☐Invention ☐Science ☐Art ☐Landscape ☐Sculpture ☐Commerce ☐Architecture ☐

Social/Human-

Communications ☐Literature ☐itarian ☐Conservation ☐Military ☐Theater ☐Music ☐Transportation ☐

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

The largest building in Oakland, the Garrett County Courthouse has the heavy handed and academic quality of the neo-classic, Renaissance Revival architecture popular at the turn of the century (and practiced by architects such as McKim, Mead and White, Cass Gilbert, and Daniel Burnham, etc.) But the building also has the virtues of that style: proper proportions, correct classical detail, and a sense of monumentality, for this is a small building by the usual standards of the style. Appearing from most vantage points as a Greek cross [i.e. one in which all four arms are of equal length], the courthouse recalls Wren's 'Great Model' plan for St. Paul's Cathedral, Palladio's Villa Rotunda, or even McKim's library for Columbia University, but the low dome with the eagle also reminds one of some of the competition entries for the United States Capitol. [Jefferson submitted a plan for a bulding with Greek cross plan and a low dome at the crossing, if this writer remembers correctly.]

SEE INSTRUCTIONS

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Morris L. Radoff's book on Courthouses of Maryland

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN ONE ACRE		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:			
William Morgan			
ORGANIZATION	DATE		
Department of Art History	June 4, 1970		
STREET AND NUMBER:			
University of Delaware			
CITY OR TOWN:	STATE	COOE	
Oakland Newark	Delaware		

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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Keeper of The National Register

Date _____

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MD. HISTORICAL TRUST
BOX 1704
ANNAPOLIS, MD. 21404NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	
COUNTY:	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

1. NAME	
COMMON: GARRETT COUNTY COURTHOUSE	
AND/OR HISTORIC:	

2. LOCATION			
STREET AND NUMBER: ALDER THIRD ST. (at NE corner w/ ALDER ST)			
CITY OR TOWN: OAKLAND			
STATE: MD	CODE	COUNTY: GARRETT	CODE

3. CLASSIFICATION			
CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input type="checkbox"/>	Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/>	Public Acquisition: In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered <input type="checkbox"/>	Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/>
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/>	Government <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum <input type="checkbox"/>	Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific <input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/> Comments <input type="checkbox"/>

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY			
OWNERS NAME: GARRETT COUNTY Commissioners			
STREET AND NUMBER: " " Courthouse			
CITY OR TOWN: OAKLAND	STATE: MD.	CODE	

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION			
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:			
STREET AND NUMBER:			
CITY OR TOWN:	STATE:	CODE	
APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: TOWN LOT			

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS			
TITLE OF SURVEY: SEE BIBLIOGRAPHY			
DATE OF SURVEY:	Federal <input type="checkbox"/>	State <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	County <input type="checkbox"/> Local <input type="checkbox"/>
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:			
STREET AND NUMBER:			
CITY OR TOWN:	STATE:	CODE	

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

Excellent ☒Good ☐Fair ☐(Check One)
Deteriorated ☐Ruins ☐Unexposed ☐

INTEGRITY

(Check One)

Altered ☐Unaltered ☒

(Check One)

Moved ☐Original Site ☒

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Garrett County Courthouse is laid out in the form of a Latin ~~cross~~ cross, the three equal length arms are visible from Oakland's business section, while the fourth, longer wing is on the rear (uphill side). Perched up a hill with retaining wall + two falls, the courthouse is a 3-storey masonry + brick structure topped by a low metal covered dome. ^{+ cross} Designed to appear to be a Greek cross, the 3 equal length wings have tetrastyle Roman Ionic porticos ~~or running~~ in front of piano notable + 3rd floor; the ground floor serves as a rusticated base w/ triple archway below porticos - the front arches being open + forming an entrance porch. The upper 2 storeys are built of yellow brick, the 2 story windows have classical entablatures heavy pediments supported by brackets. The whole building has a wide wood ~~cornice~~ modillioned cornice, as all 3 ~~pediment~~ porticos are topped by pediments etc. The low dome has an octagonal base with antenae around it - topped by wing spread eagle - dome is open inside - 3 ~~storeys~~ - gallery, etc.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Pre-Columbian ☐16th Century ☐18th Century ☐20th Century ☒15th Century ☐17th Century ☐19th Century ☐

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

1907

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Aboriginal ☐Education ☐Political ☐Urban Planning ☐Prehistoric ☐Engineering ☐

Religion/Phi-

Other (Specify) ☐Historic ☐Industry ☐losophy ☐

Arch.

Agriculture ☐Invention ☐Science ☐Art ☐Landscape ☐Sculpture ☐Commerce ☐Architecture ☐

Social/Human-

Communications ☐Literature ☐itorion ☐Conservation ☐Military ☐Theater ☐Music ☐Transportation ☐

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

The largest bldg. in Oakland., the Garrett Co. Courthouse has the heavy handed quality of the neoclassic academic architecture so popular at turn of century (McKim, W. White, Cass Gilbert, Burnham, etc.), but also has that styles virtues in proper proportions, correct classical detail + a sense of monumentality (this bldg. small by usual stds. of style). Appearing from most views as a Greek Cross, the Courthouse ~~seems~~ recalls Wren's Great Model for St. Paul's, Palladio's Villa Capra, even McK. Columbia library, but the low dome with the eagle also reminds one of one of ~~plan~~ competition plans for U.S. Capitol. (Humbert).

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES N. R. FIELD SHEET

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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN ONE ACRE		
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NAME AND TITLE:

W. MORGAN

ORGANIZATION

MHT

DATE

VI/14/70

STREET AND NUMBER:

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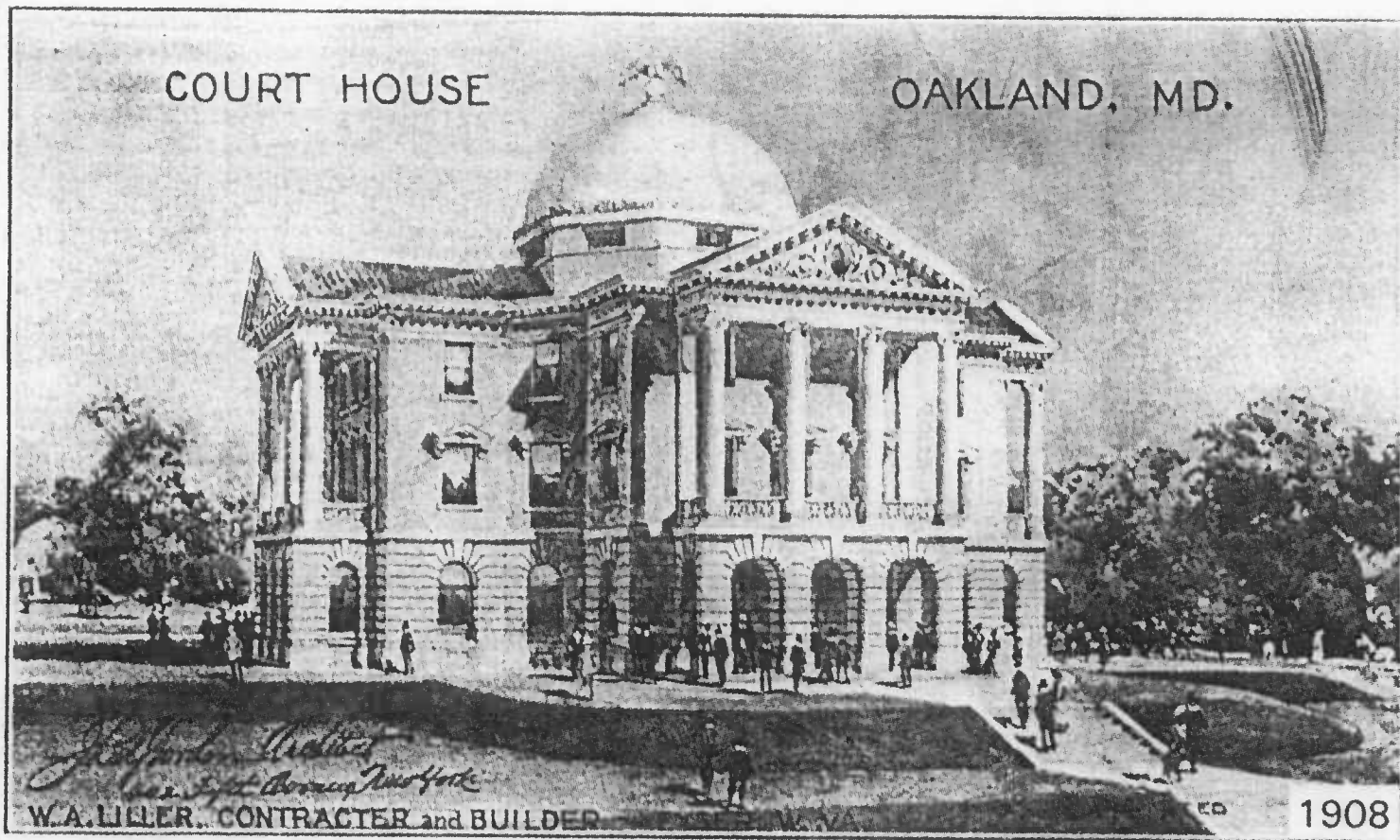
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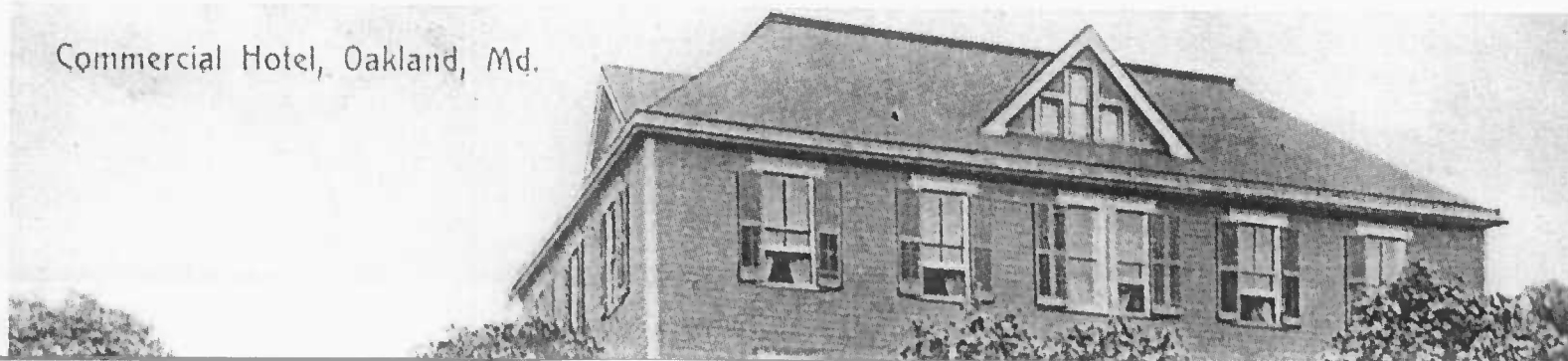
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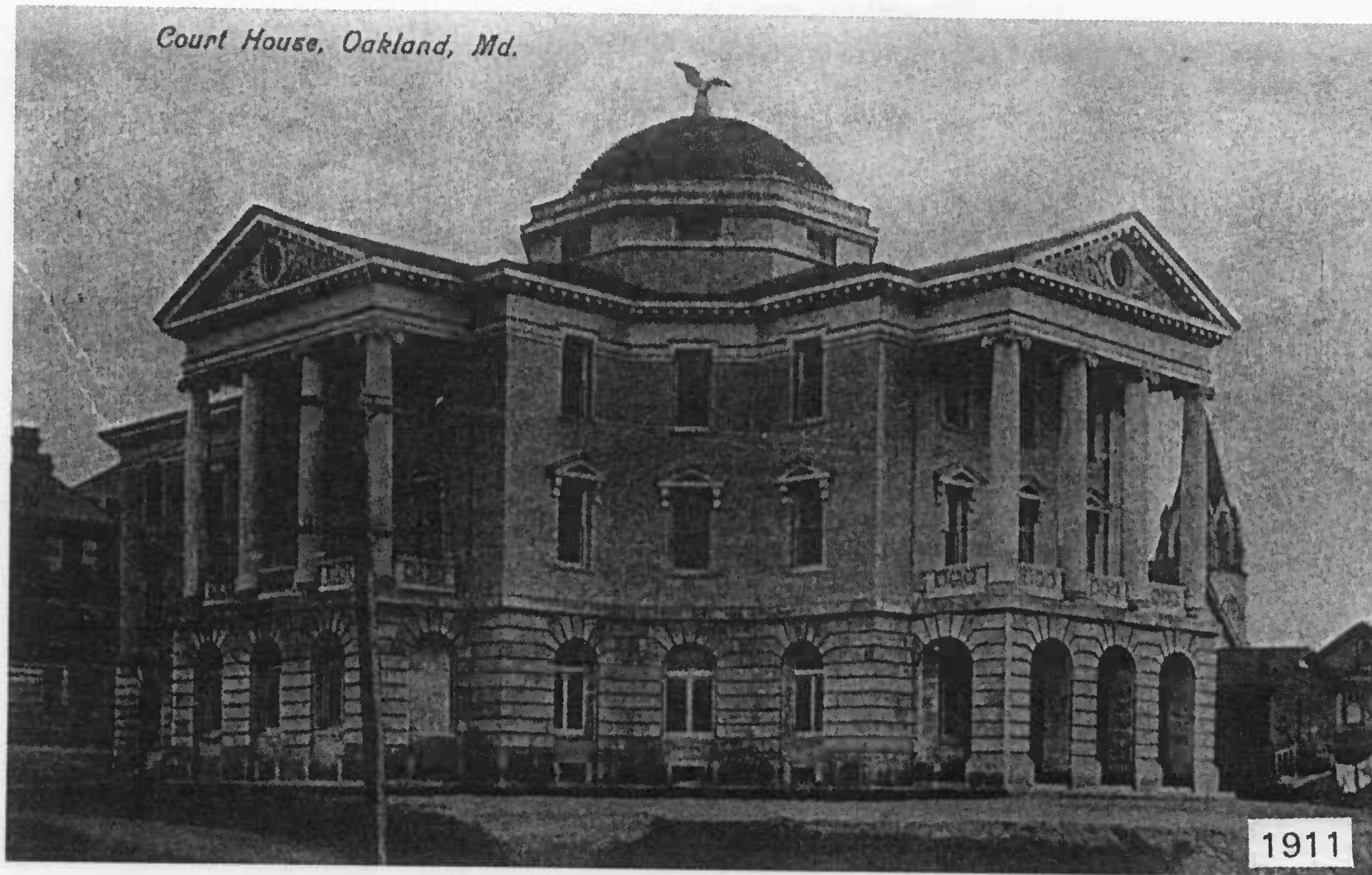
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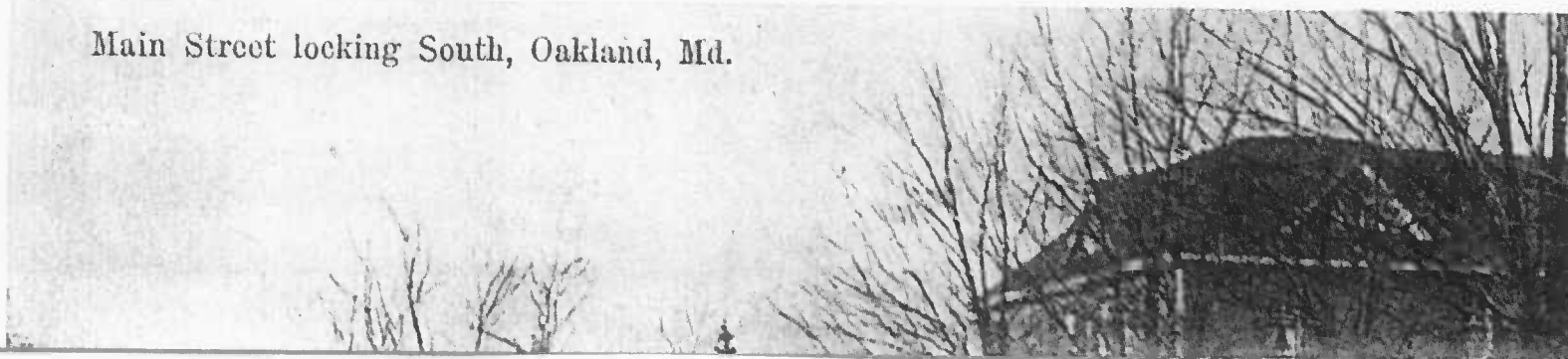
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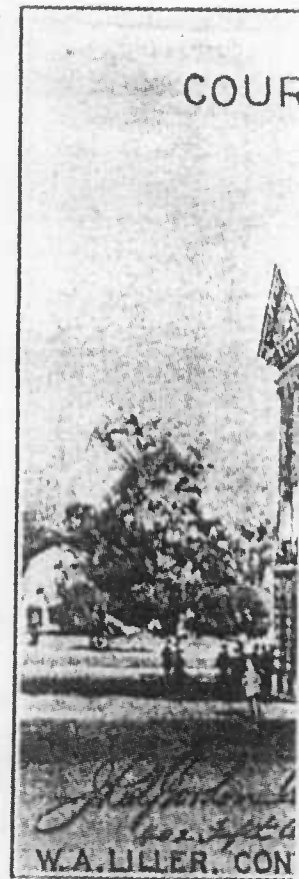
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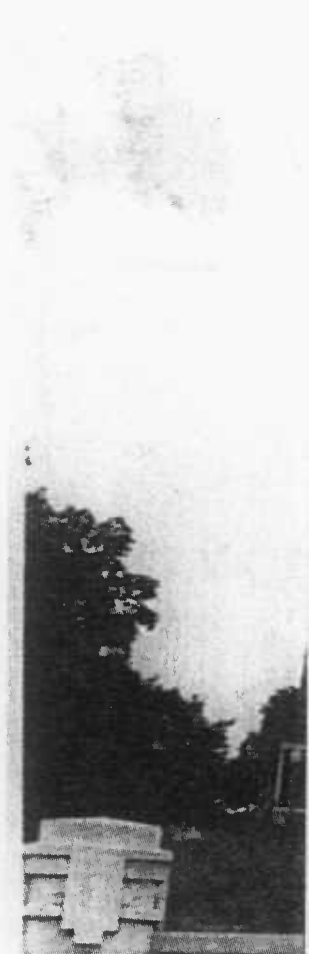
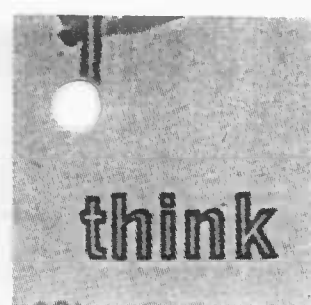
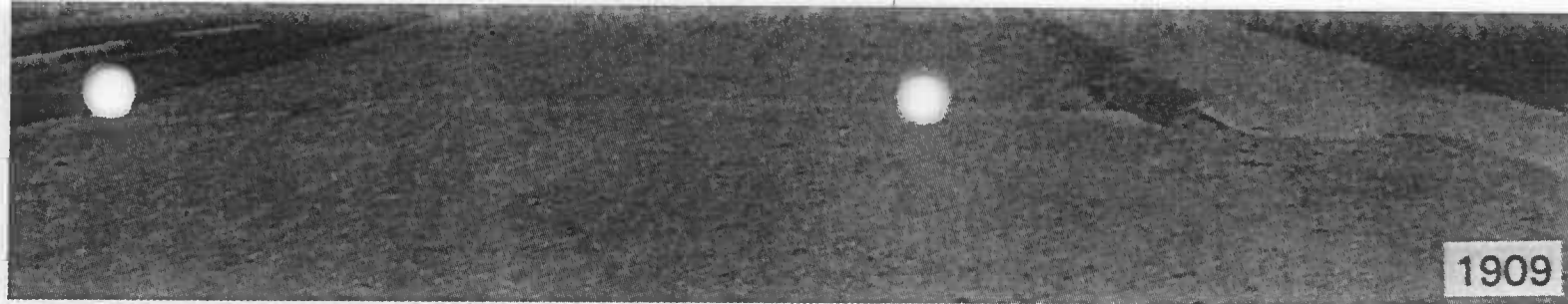
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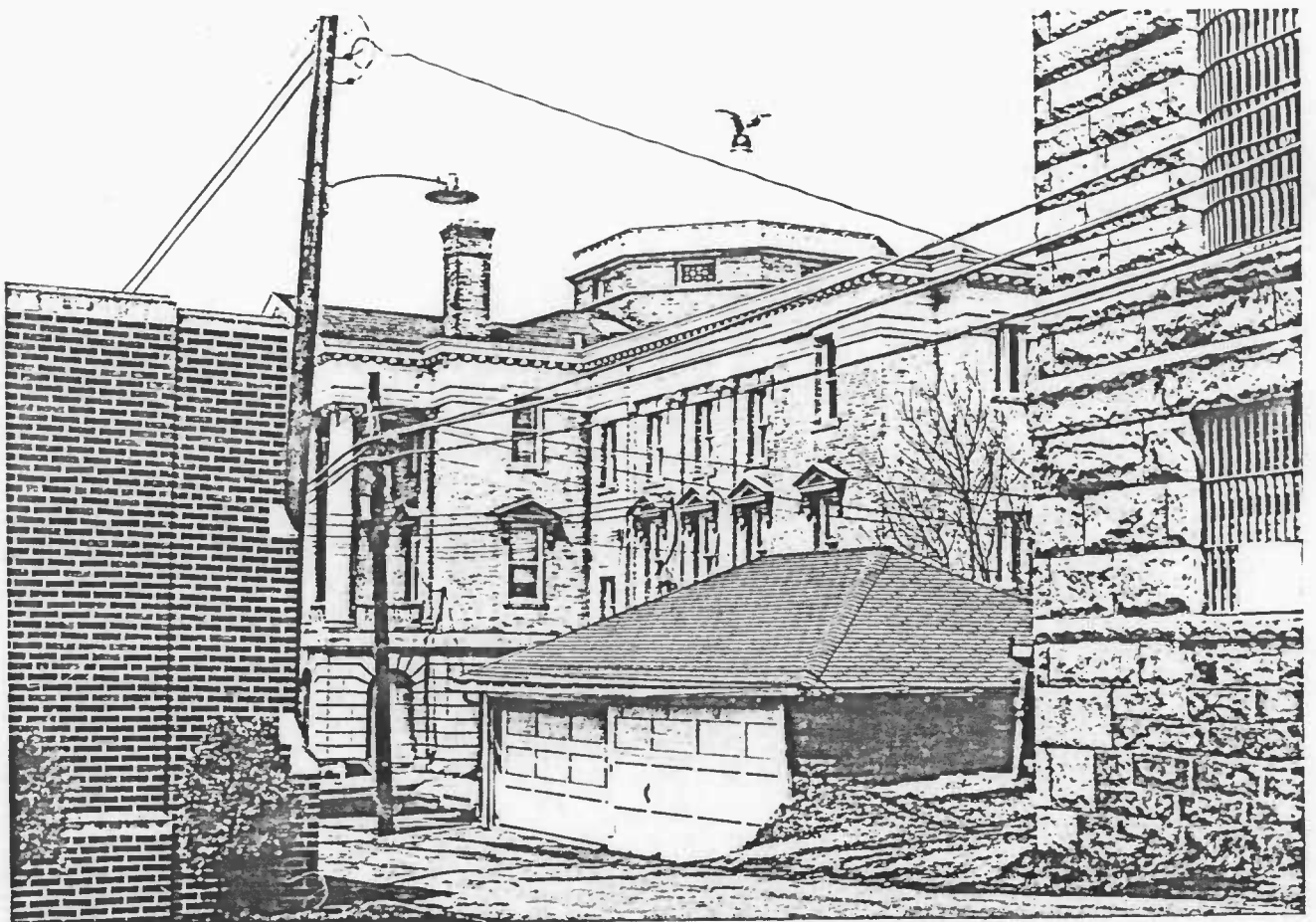
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Garrett County
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Garrett County
Courthouse

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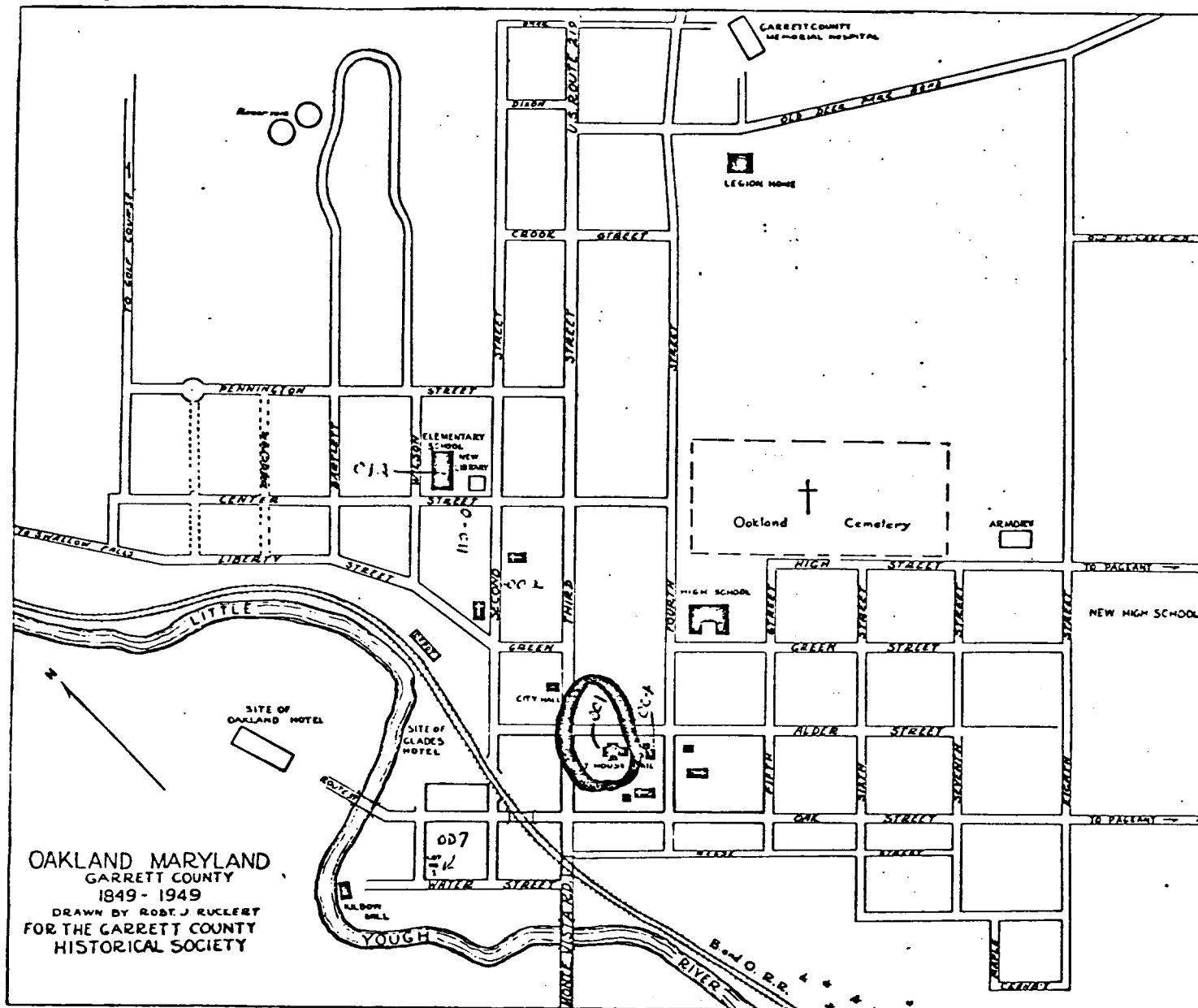
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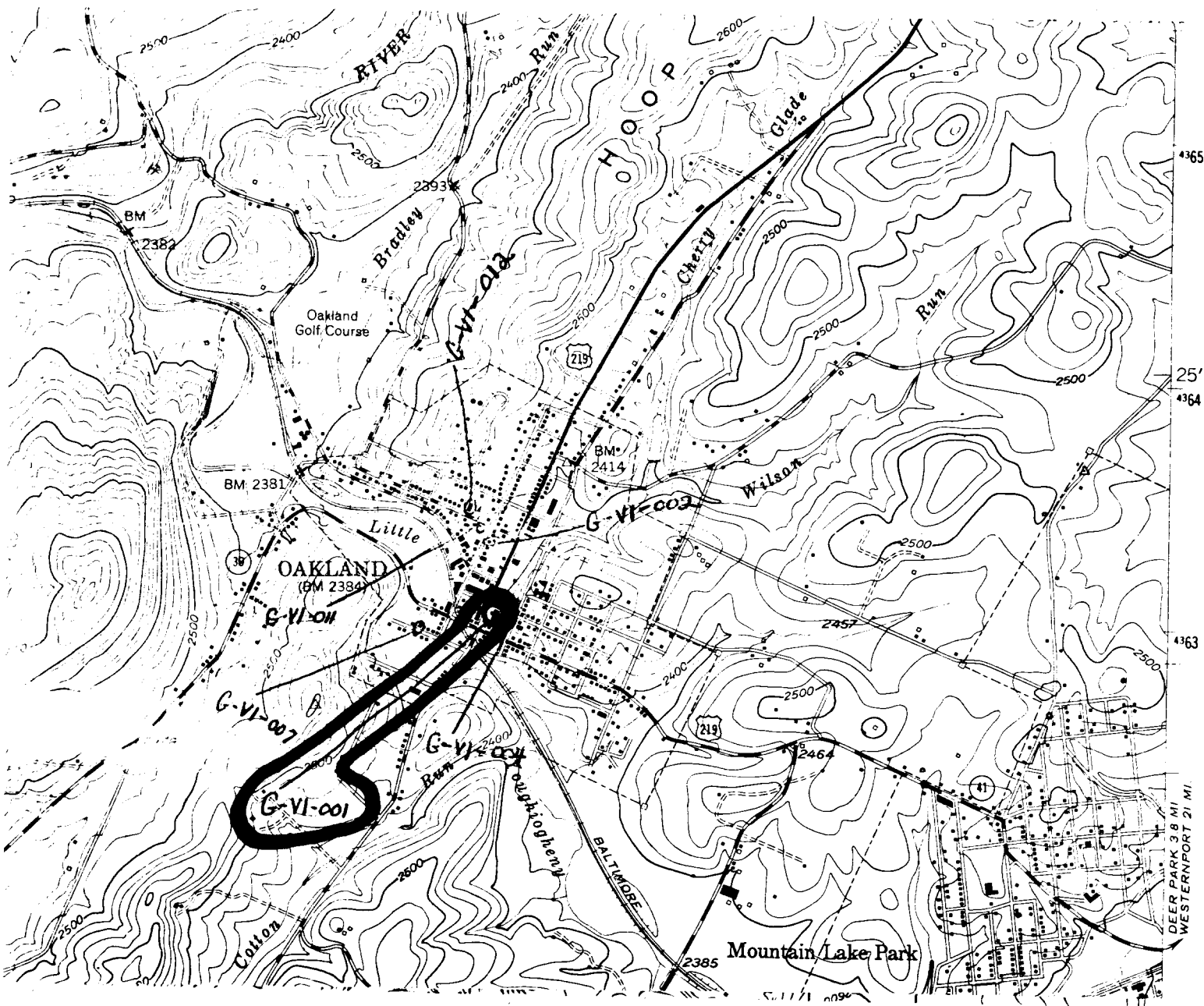
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Garrett County Courthouse
Third Street at Alder Street, SE corner



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